



# BIG SANDY NEWS.

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## LATEST OIL NEWS.

### Good Strikes Within the Past Few Days.

### Work Very Active in Nearby Oil Fields, and Something Doing in Local Territory.

Three oil wells have been completed in the field near Louisa since our last report and all are producers. Neither is considered a large well, but shooting and proper handling will make them pay. Two of the wells are at Busseyville, on the Venora leases, and the other on F. H. Yates' land on Two Mile. The latter was drilled by the Wayne Oil company. It will be shot within a few days and bids fair to make a profitable well.

The Wayne Oil company has contracted with the Little Blaine Oil company to drill a well and the work will start at once. This is a new company with which W. M. Chapman, L. W. Spencer and Dr. L. S. Hayes are prominently identified.

The incorporation of the local pipe line company has been completed. A proposition has been made to take over all the unsold stock and this is now under consideration.

### \$3000.00 Per Day.

One of the biggest oil strikes made recently is near Charleston, W. Va. In the company are Judge John H. Holt, Harry Duncan, Caldwell and McConnell, of Huntington, J. C. C. Mayo of Paintsville, and others. Judge Holt is the largest individual holder, owning one-fourth of the property. A well drilled in a few days ago is making 800 barrels per day. The oil is a superior quality, specific gravity 55, worth something near \$3 per barrel. On the same property the company has three large gas wells. One is making twenty-five million feet per day, which is the largest production known for any one well now in existence.

Only ten million feet per day of the gas is being marketed now, and the daily income of the company from this gas and the one oil well is about \$3000.00.

The company owns a large acreage and the oil well is about the center of the tract.

### Another Well on Beaver.

The last well drilled on Beaver by the Yolanda Oil company is producing about 20 barrels of high grade oil per day. This company now has a production of more than 50 barrels of oil per day. Also several good gas wells. The property belongs to the Dimmicks, Dr. M. G. Watson and others.

### Gas Well Near Ashland.

The gas wells drilled in at Ashland a few months ago soon became exhausted. But another good strike is reported near there, at the Bellefonte Brick Yard. The well was put down by the Means-Russell Iron company to a depth of 1725 feet. This is considerably deeper than the former wells and we hope the supply will be greater.

### A Fine Sermon.

The Rev. W. J. Clarke, of Sparta, Ky., one of the most eminent men in the Christian Church in Kentucky and who was attending the Bible-school Convention of the Disciples of Christ held here last week, on the invitation of the pastor of the M. E. Church South preached in that church last Sunday morning. His discourse was based upon that momentous, twice-repeated question asked Peter by the Divine Master—"Lovest thou me?" Naturally, the speaker's subject was Christian Service. For the space of forty minutes Mr. Clarke held his large and appreciative audience as with a spell as he spoke of what kind of service his disciples should render to Jesus the Carpenter, the Carpenter who builded the universe, who wrought as one in the shop of his

earthly parent, and the Carpenter who has built the Many Mansions, prepared for those who loved him and who had fed his sheep and his lambs.

No scant and imperfect report can do anything like justice to Mr. Clarke's splendid sermon, prepared with intelligent care along original lines, teeming with thought and lines, teeming with thought and ed with musical, powerful voice, and enunciation so clear and clean as to be delightful. It was a great sermon.

### City Council Proceedings.

The city council met in regular session Tuesday night, all members present. Beyond routine business not much was done. The treasury being somewhat anemic in condition no claims were allowed.

It was ordered that the west side of Lady Washington street, from Madison to Powhattan, be paved. This has a familiar sound, like something that has been ordered before. The same order was made concerning Main Cross street, beginning at E. E. Shannon's property and coming up on both sides to the city building.

The council adjourned to meet Monday, June 17th.

### \$2500.00 Damages.

By the terms of a compromise effected between the plaintiff and the defendant Lindsey Sammons, of Warfield, has received from the Norfolk & Western railroad the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars. A suit had been brought by Sammons to recover \$25,000 as damage for injury alleged to have been received by a collision which occurred at tunnel six, a few miles east of Fort Gay, December 24, 1910. The case was settled during the term of the Federal Court held in Catlettsburg last week.

### Jenny's Creek Railroad.

Interest has again been aroused in a proposed line of railroad up Jenny's Creek, Johnson county. Right-of-way men and a surveying corps have recently been at work along the proposed route.

## ACROSS THE RIVER.

### Primaries Held by Both Parties Over in W. Va.

The Republican State Primary in West Virginia last Tuesday resulted as follows:

For Governor, Dr. Hatfield, of McDowell county, by 30,000.  
Secretary of State, Reed of Harrison.

Congressman at large, Howard Southernland, of Randolph.  
Treasurer, probably C. P. Rathbone.

Auditor, John Darst.  
Attorney General, A. A. Lilly.

Commissioner of Agriculture, H. E. Williams, of Greenbrier.

Congressmen, G. A. Laughlin, Wm. G. Conley, S. B. Avis, Judge H. H. Moss, Jas. A. Hughes.

State Senator, 5th District, Dennis Steed, of Lincoln county.

Hughes won over Goodykoontz by about 7000 majority.

### Wayne Democratic Convention.

The Wayne county Democratic convention was held on Saturday last and resulted in the nomination of the following: For Sheriff, John S. Billups; House of Delegates, Frank Terrell and C. W. Thompson; Prosecuting Attorney, D. B. Hardwick; Assessor, Pearl Frazier; Justice of the Peace, J. P. Billups and J. W. Huff.

### May Lose a Leg.

Friends of L. L. Herr, formerly of this city but now of Ashland, are much concerned about his physical condition. He has some sort of a tumor on one of his legs. The growth is malignant, and amputation may be found necessary. An examination under the X-rays is to be made, followed by a consultation, when the course to be taken will be determined.

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

### Holds an Important Convention at Louisa.

### Sixteenth District Churches, Board of Missions and Bible School Represented by Delegates.

The Sixteenth District convention of Christian churches, Bible School and the Christian Woman's Board of Missions began at the Christian church in Louisa on Friday evening, May 31, and continued until Sunday evening, June 2. The house was filled with people at the first session, when an able address was delivered by Sec. H. W. Elliott, of Sulphur, Ky. Following Mr. Elliott the well known R. B. Neal, of Grayson, made a delightful talk, at the close of which he availed himself of the opportunity to introduce his "F. E. B's." Miss Mary Gardner, of Salyersville, a young lady of much talent and thorough training, was persuaded to recite and was called back by the continuous applause of the entire audience.

The Saturday morning program as carried out was up to the high standard of that of Friday evening. Mr. W. J. Clarke, specialist in the line of the Adult Bible Class, is a man of unusual charm and ability. His addresses were well received by all who heard him. Mr. Frazee, State Superintendent of Bible Schools, by his pleasing personality his thorough training and his wide experience, is peculiarly adapted to his work. He made many friends while in Louisa. Hon. H. Clay Brown, of Olive Hill, President of the Bible School association of the district, made a most interesting address on Saturday morning.

At the afternoon meeting talks were given by Messrs. McMurray and Reeves, ministers of the churches at Olive Hill and Ashland, respectively. Mr. McMurray spoke of "How the Bible School Helps the church," after which Mr. Reeves described "A Model Bible School Building."

After the Bible School on Sunday morning, much of the time of which was used for the work of the convention, the day was turned over to the C. W. B. M., of which Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, Superintendent of Schools of Rowan county, is district president. Mrs. Stewart is in her element as presiding officer at such a meeting. The absence of Mrs. Yancey and others who were to appear on the program of the morning was regretted, but the presence of Mr. Edgar C. Riley, Supt., of Schools of Boone county, Ky., who spoke from the subject: "Christianity a system of Education," made this one of the very best sessions of the entire convention.

Through the courtesy of officers and trustees the Saturday night session of Bible-School Convention of the Disciples of Christ was held in the new and handsome Baptist Church. The building, auditorium, gallery and Sunday school room, was crowded, and the large audience seemed greatly pleased with the interesting and instructive programme.

The introductory services consisted of solo and chorus singing, prayer and the reading of scripture appropriate to the address delivered by Dr. R. H. Crossfield, President of Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky. Dr. Crossfield's theme was "The Crisis Among the Disciples," and his address was a masterpiece of argument, logic and oratory. The doctor has a fine platform presence, a splendid, far-reaching voice, and a most agreeable manner. Add to these desirable qualities a liberal education derived from books and schools and supplemented by a fund of information derived from extensive travel at home and abroad, with eyes and ears wide open, and you have the central figure in the exercises of Saturday night.

Dr. Crossfield believes that a crisis has arrived among the disciples of Christ, of whatever name or creed, and before he was through his discourse every thoughtful listener in the large and attentive as-

sembly in his presence agreed with him. He presented three hypotheses for their consideration. First, briefly: For the relief of the sick and the injured it is absolutely necessary that there must be an adequate supply of physicians and surgeons. If this supply was not only not maintained but was constantly diminished, what, the doctor asked, would be the effect upon humanity?

Secondly: What would be the inevitable result of a sufficient number of school teachers was not provided and kept up? But this contingency need not be feared or discussed. The existing ratio of teachers to schools, in some sections at least, is about five to one.

The third supposition related to the supply of preachers, and the amazing facts and figures hurled in volleys at his hearers during the discussion of this point certainly set them to thinking. Dr. Crossfield showed by his facts and figures that the number of preachers in the United States is decreasing, and at such a rate that the result is inevitable unless the pendulum swings the other way. This is, indeed, The Crisis Among the Disciples. The speaker plead for more preachers, for better preachers and for better paid preachers. There will be more preachers when we fall into the custom of the good old Scotch who plan to set apart at least one boy in every family for the ministry. And when he is chosen they educate him.

Dr. Crossfield was optimistic, believing that the Crisis would in time be successfully met and the world be won for Christ.

On Sunday afternoon the Christian Church was filled to repletion with delegates and citizens. The exercises on this occasion were of a most interesting character. The program was in charge of the C. W. B. M. under the direction of Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart, who with a very pleasing and agreeable personality and knowledge of parliamentary procedure, makes a model presiding officer. At this meeting Elder Geo. M. Farley, pastor of the Morehead Christian Church, spoke well on "Woman and the Church." He was followed by Mr. J. A. Robinson, principal of the Morehead Normal School, who told of his visit to

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## BATTLE AT JENKINS.

### Officers Have Fatal Clash With Illicit Liquor Dealers.

Whitesburg, Ky., June 3.—Two were killed and three severely wounded when a posse of officers made a raid upon a "blind tiger" near the town of Jenkins. Deputy Sheriff John Pollock, Squire Potter, Patrolmen Ashe and Anderson and United States Marshals J. W. and J. H. Adington made the raid.

A lookout must have given the proprietors information of the coming of the officers, the authorities here declare, as the men in the "blind tiger," heavily armed, awaited the arrival of the attacking party. When the officers demanded that they surrender a volley was the answer. Officer Pollock fell wounded by three bullets.

For several minutes both sides were under fire. Two Italians were killed instantly, while two others were wounded severely. There were eight in the house and, after battling for several minutes with the officers, the survivors surrendered and were brought overland under a heavy guard to Whitesburg.

### Hospital Notes.

James Curry, married, a miner at Torchlight, is in the hospital suffering from a compound fracture of both bones of his left leg. He was handling a machine in the mine when the "jack" slipped and caused the serious accident. Dr. Marcum, the mine physician, had him placed on a train and brought him to Louisa. The accident occurred on Tuesday.

A. J. Barnett, of Flat Gap, is also in the hospital. He is being treated for a broken right thigh, caused by a log rolling over him while he was at work on Muddy branch.

## STATE CONVENTION

### Report of the Big Doings at Louisville

### Of Special Interest Locally, Because of Victory of Vansant and Mayo, Our Next Door Neighbors.

A clean sweep of the boards was made by the administration forces in the Democratic State Convention held at Louisville, on Wednesday of last week. By electing Governor James B. McCreary as temporary Chairman over United States Senator Elect Ollie M. James the administration scored its first victory, and insured control of the state organization by the administration for at least four years longer.

The fight over the initial and vital convention prize was fully as interesting and close as had been anticipated. It was probably the most hotly contested political struggle witnessed in Kentucky in a decade.

Ollie James surprised the convention by making the speech placing himself in nomination for temporary chairman of the convention. It caused much discussion and the general belief is that he made a big mistake.

It is said he took the step at the urgent request of misguided friends, who overestimated his strength, but many persons are winking slyly and asserting "he has dug his own political grave."

Another body blow was delivered Senator James, who championed the candidacy of Colonel Urey Woodson for re-election as National Committeeman. He put up a spirited fight for the Owensboro man, who was defeated by J. C. C. Mayo, of Paintsville, the vote being Mayo 698 and Woodson 492.

An amusing incident occurred during the roll call of counties when half a dozen delegates singled out Delegate Doug Hayes, of Perry County, and accused him of voting for eight counties. There were cries of "Put him out!" and an uproar followed. Hayes voted Floyd, Russell, Leslie, Knox, Owsley and Knott Counties, he said, but "held proxies for 'em all." Each time he voted for J. C. C. Mayo. As it happened he had voted "right," as a recall of the roll showed.

The Committee report declared for Champ Clark instructions to Baltimore, condemned the controversy raging between President Taft and former President Roosevelt, pledged the party to tariff reform, urged that the delegates from the state at large and district delegates be instructed to vote as a unit at Baltimore and endorsed the record of the state administration.

The committee also went on record for reforms in national banking and currency laws.

A minority report was presented by Judge J. W. Henson endorsing Urey Woodson for National Committeeman. The report was offered as an amendment to the majority document, and the fight on its adoption led to the proposal by J. N. Kehoe, of Mason County, that the name of J. C. C. Mayo be substituted for that of Woodson.

In the interest of party harmony eight delegates from the state at large will be sent to Baltimore. Henry Watterson's name is conspicuous by its absence. Those chosen were Governor McCreary, Senator-elect James, former Governor Beckham, J. C. C. Mayo, Judge Alie Young, of Morehead; Congressman Ben Johnson, of the Fourth District; Justus Gobel, of Covington, and Congressman Owsley Stanley, of the Second District.

Alternates—W. W. Utley, Lyon County; Herman Southall, Christian; R. W. Bradburn, Warren; J. A. Donaldson, Carroll; A. D. Martin, Franklin; M. W. Rewine, Elliott; Walter Harkins, Floyd, and Ben V. Smith, Pulaski. Robert Harding, Bayle, and H. V. McChesney, of Franklin County, were elected electors from the state at large.

Senator James and Congressman Stanley, abetted by the Louisville organization, plied their political

strategy against that of the administration, and General Haly, as his friends predicted, proved himself to be more adept at the game of "fighting close in" than Senator James. There is not the least doubt that when Senator James offered himself for the honor of being named temporary Chairman the delegates were dazed. They were not expecting it, and this is what the James followers were counting upon.

Much Time Wasted. Much time was wasted by men and boys, not delegates to the convention, who lined up against the walls and at the rear of the hall, who interfered with the speakers, especially H. V. McChesney. The latter was forced to wait for 15 minutes before he was able to proceed with his remarks.

The disturbers were the same class of thugs and beer-soakers that are always packed into convention halls in Louisville to try to howl down the opposition. No State Convention should ever be held in Louisville.

Chairman Prewitt then announced that the time had arrived for the selection of a temporary Chairman. There was a tense period following this announcement, followed by some nervous shuffling.

Commissioner of Agriculture J. W. Newman climbed aboard a chair and facing the delegates, put in nomination Governor James B. McCreary.

There was a wild outburst of applause and the cheering was prolonged. When it began to subside Senator James made his way to the rostrum, accompanied by Congressman Stanley, and once more pandemonium broke loose.

The program said to have been agreed upon was that Congressman Stanley should nominate Senator James. The Secretary finished the roll call of districts and again called out "First District."

It was believed by many that Senator James proposed to nominate a compromise candidate and thus indirectly control the proceedings of the convention.

It was here that the great "close-in" fight began and General Haly re-established himself as one of the shrewdest political strategists. Kentucky ever has known no one to take a "close-in" on the blood directly on the system. They are for any one to take a "close-in" on the blood directly on the system. They are for any one to take a "close-in" on the blood directly on the system.

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## CHILDREN'S

### Beautiful Program Well Rendered Sunday Evening.

One of the most impressive Children's Day services it has ever been our privilege to attend was given at the Southern Methodist church on last Sunday evening. The theme of the program was "The Children's King," and for symmetry and dignified beauty it would be hard to conceive a more pleasing one. The aim was to present a simple yet attractive and comprehensive Life of Christ. The children were so beautifully trained that they entered into the story in an unusually thoughtful way. The program opened with the "Birth of the King," read from Luke II-8-20 in a clear voice by one of the young girls, followed by a sweet solo, "Under the Stars." The visit to the temple when a boy of twelve was given by boys who seemed to be glad that Jesus was once a boy and understands boys. "When He Up to Manhood Grew" was a solo sung by a little girl with a sweet voice, who pronounced every word so it can be understood.

The Cradle Roll Reception following the story of "Suffer the Little Children to come unto Me," was the climax of the evening.

The tiny tots gave a reception to a dear little, real live baby in a go-cart, Martha Mayo Stewart, wife won the hearts of all who saw her sweet baby ways. As the organ was played softly a floral cradle was slowly lowered and the small reception committee filled the cart with daisies much to the delight of the baby, who gave each a winsome smile.

"Of such is the Kingdom of God." A feature we do not often see in a Children's Day program was the

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